

Rec<sup>d</sup> Dec 17<sup>th</sup>  
Ans Dec 18

Utica, Dec. 12 - 1867

Dr George Engelmann,

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Dr Sir,

Enclosed I send  
you a list of numbers of plants taken  
from Gray's catalogue, which I have for  
exchange. Is there anything on the list that  
you desire? I hope there may be, for I want  
very much to make an exchange with  
you for a set of Isoetes, & such other rare  
water plants as you could doubtless furnish.  
During the past season I have become  
particularly interested in this class of  
plants, & am desirous to make my herbarium  
as complete in them as possible.

Should you desire any of my specimens  
I make no hesitation in saying that you  
will find them carefully prepared. I have  
found that it is quite as desirable to have  
a reputation for turning out fine botan-  
ical work (which is conceded to me by all



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who have had my plants), as it is to have  
a lot of rare things for exchange; & my list,  
although small, is not entirely deficient in  
these rarities also.

Hoping that there will be something  
on the list, that you desire, I remain

Very Truly Yours,  
Benj. D. Gilbert  
Care Davis, Gilbert & Plant,  
Utica, N. Y.



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Recd Dec 30  
as Jan 25

Utica, N. Y. Dec. 25/67

Dr Geo. Engelmann,

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Dear Sir,

It has unfortunately happened that in these busiest of all busy times, the holidays, I have been confined to the house by a bad swelling upon my heel. It's an ill wind that brings no good to any one however; so I have had occasion for sorting out a package of plants for you & two or three more of my correspondents.

I regret that it was impossible for me to send fruit of *Clematis ochroleuca*, but the flower is all I have, former exchange having exhausted all my spec's of fruit. And of all the things not collected by myself I have to say that I am not responsible for their state of preservation. Having no duplicate of the list sent you, I hardly know what I gave you among the orchids & ferns. Accordingly I have enclosed for you such things in those orders as I judged might prove most acceptable.



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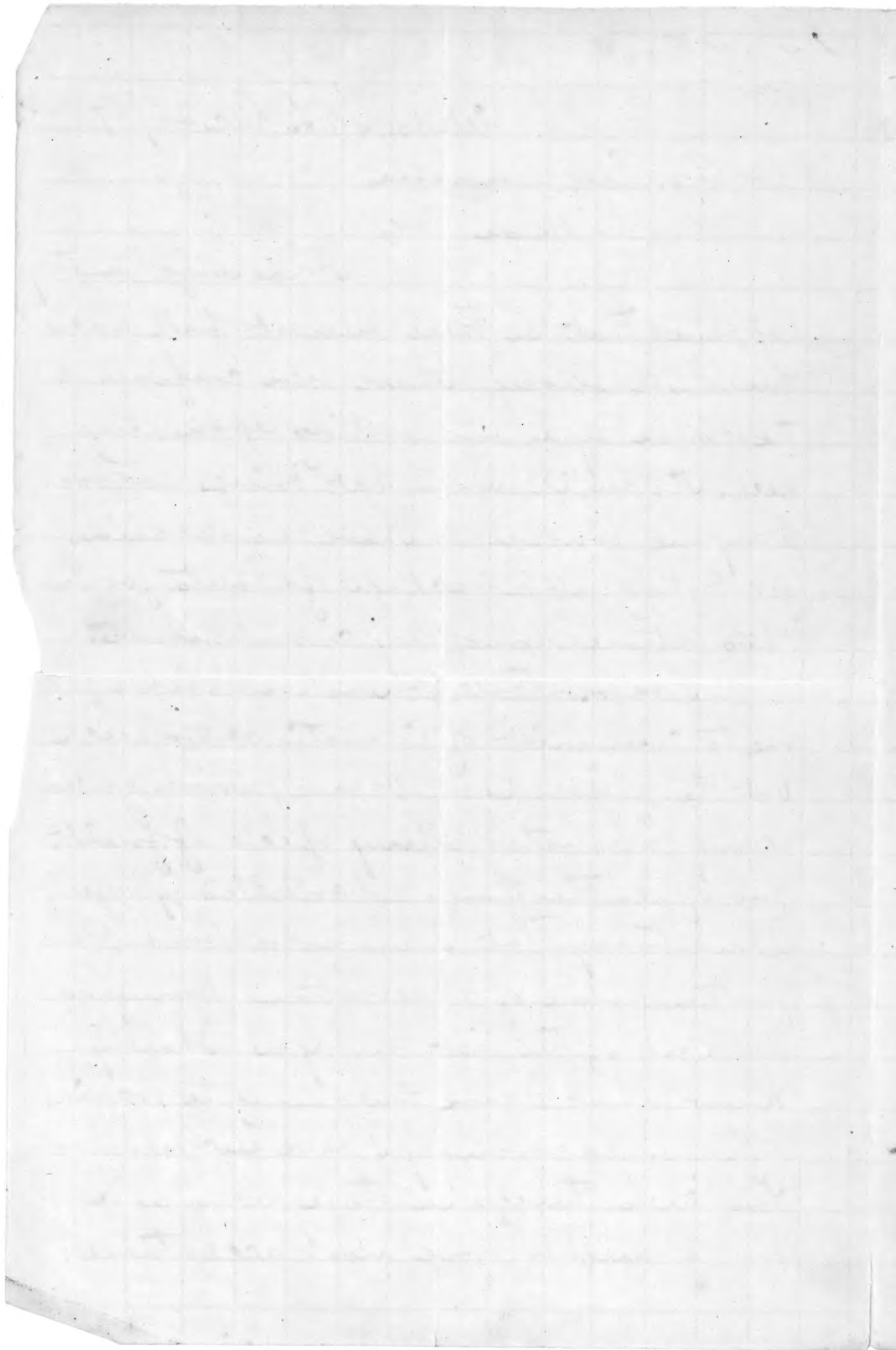
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Among my own wants are *Listera australis*  
*L. convallarioides*, *Bletia aphylla*,  
Can you help me to them?

Trusting that the package will  
meet your approbation I remain

Very truly Yours

Benj. D. Gilbert

I shall forward the bundle by mail  
with this.



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Recd Jan 23<sup>d</sup>  
Ans same day

N. Y.

Utica, Jan. 18-1868

Dr Geo. Engelmann,

Dear Sir,

During The week  
between Christmas & New Year I sent you  
by mail a small package of botanical  
specimens, but having heard from you yet  
in regard to their arrival, I thought best  
to drop you a line, for fear they might have  
got mislaid at the P.O. If you have not  
rec'd them, you will probably find them  
lying at the St. Louis P.O. I did not know  
your particular address, & merely directed  
them to you at St. L. Mo.

I have recently rec'd a fine package  
of plants from Wm M. Canby, Esq. of Wilmington  
in which he sent among other things the following  
which you may erase fr. my list of desiderata  
& substitute others in their place, which you  
may consider desirable.

*Isaetes Engelmannii*, & var. *valida*

" *echinospora*, var. *Braunii*

" *riparia*

" *melanopoda*

" *saccharata*

*Utricularia inflata*

" *vulgaris*

" *purpurea*

" *intermedia*

Yours Truly

Benj. D. Gilbert



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Rec<sup>d</sup> - Feb 24<sup>th</sup>

Gilbert B.D.

Utica, Feb. 20/88

Dr Geo. Engelmann,

Dr Sir,

Yours of the 16<sup>th</sup>

came to hand yesterday, & the package followed it today. I have the pleasure of saying that nearly all of its contents are new to me.

Should there be anything in our flora, outside of the Compositae & Carices, (in which I am not very well stocked) that is desired by you, please let me know & if I have it not I shall be glad to procure it for you during the coming season. I have 3 species of *Myriophyllum*, without flower or fruit however; would it do any good to send you such spec's for determination? Next season I will try to obtain them either with flower or fruit.

Yours Truly

Prof. D. Gilbert



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Recd July 26  
Ans same day

Utica, N.Y. July 22-1870  
Dr Geo. Engelmann,  
Dear Sir,

I send you herewith by mail  
a small packet containing two  
species of Isoetes, obtained the other  
day at Oneida Lake, by Mr John  
A. Paine. We do not feel competent  
to determine the species, even with  
the aid of my specimens, received  
from yourself, - especially as the  
fruit in our newly found specimens  
seems to be rather immature. Will you  
be good enough to determine them for  
us, & let us know what they are? You  
can distinguish them in writing, by  
"the larger" & "the smaller".

Mr Paine has quite <sup>recently</sup> returned  
from abroad - his last trip having



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been to the Holy Land. He wished me  
when I wrote to remember him to you  
with the greatest cordiality. He met,  
I think, your brother & several of the family  
while abroad. He has now gone west as far  
as St. Paul, though I think it doubtful  
whether he gets down as far as St. Louis.

If there is anything which I can  
send you from this region, in the way of  
plants, please let me know. Have you  
plenty of Carex livida, or Crauei, or  
leucoglochium, or many others which we have?  
I don't suppose I can give you anything new  
to your herb.; but if I could supply you  
with some of our Carexes for exchange, I  
should like very much to obtain some of  
your western species for my herb. I also  
lack the first Isoetes in Gray's Manual  
& the Eugelmanni, var. gracilis (?).

Yours very truly  
Berz. D. Gilbert



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